1	BEFORE THE				
2	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION				
3	IN THE MATTER OF:				
4	ANNA K. HESSEL,				
5	Complainant,)				
6	vs.) No. 03-0666				
7	COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY,)				
8	Respondent.)				
9	Complaint as to being charged) for electricity did not use)				
10	for a temporary residence in) February 2003, in Wood Dale,)				
11	Illinois.				
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13	Chicago, Illinois November 12, 2003				
14	Met pursuant to notice at 1:30 p.m.				
15	BEFORE:				
16	MR. IAN D. BRODSKY, Administrative Law Judge				
17	APPEARANCES:				
18	EXELON BUSINESS SERVICES COMPANY, by				
19	MS. FELICIA FRANCO-FEINBERG 10 South Dearborn Street Suite 3500				
20	Chicago, Illinois 60680 Appearing for Commonwealth Edison Company.				
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22	SULLIVAN REPORTING COMPANY, by Julia C. White, CSR				

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- 1 JUDGE BRODSKY: Pursuant to the authority of the
- 2 Illinois Commerce Commission, I now call Docket
- 3 03-0666. This is Anna K. Hessel versus Commonwealth
- 4 Edison Company, and it's a complaint as to billing in
- 5 Wood Dale, Illinois. May I have the appearances for
- 6 the record, please.
- 7 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: On behalf of Commonwealth
- 8 Edison Company, Felicia Franco-Feinberg, Exelon
- 9 Business Services, 10 South Dearborn, Floor 35,
- 10 Chicago, Illinois 60603.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: And Ms. Hessel, do you want to
- 12 enter your appearance, please.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay. Anna K. Hessel, Willowbrook,
- 14 Illinois.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Can you give us the full mailing
- 16 address.
- 17 MS. HESSEL: Sure. Currently it's 6-A Kingery
- 18 Quarter, Apartment 203, Willowbrook, 60527.
- 19 JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. You said currently, is it
- 20 expected to change?
- 21 MS. HESSEL: It is expected to change. I had
- 22 mentioned that to you on -- when we spoke on Monday.

- 1 I don't have an -- have an exact date for the change
- 2 at this point.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay.
- 4 MS. HESSEL: I will have mail-forwarding.
- 5 JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. And certainly keep in
- 6 touch with Ms. Franco-Feinberg --
- 7 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: -- as to whatever the changes
- 9 may be.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Just as a point of
- 12 clarification, Ms. Hessel, your address is exactly as
- it is on the Complaint except -- rather than
- 14 Hinsdale, it's Willowbrook; is that what I
- 15 understand?
- MS. HESSEL: Well, technically it is in
- 17 Hinsdale; but the mailing address is Willowbrook.
- MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Okay. So for the moment,
- 19 you're still at the 6-A Kingery Qua- --
- MS. HESSEL: That's correct.
- MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: -- Apartment 203?
- MS. HESSEL: That's correct.

- 1 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Okay. And I took from
- 2 your conversation with Judge Brodsky that you will be
- 3 moving shortly?
- 4 MS. HESSEL: Shortly -- hopefully this weekend,
- 5 but I don't know yet. I don't have keys yet.
- 6 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Okay.
- 7 MS. HESSEL: I just have keys to the garage.
- 8 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Okay. Would you be able
- 9 to provide us at this time with your new address, or
- 10 not yet?
- 11 MS. HESSEL: I can give it to you but, like I
- 12 said, I haven't moved into it yet; but if you want
- 13 it, I can give it to you.
- 14 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: That will be helpful for
- 15 us, at least.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay. Okay. 717 North Willow in
- 17 Elmhurst.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: And what's the ZIP code in
- 19 Elmhurst?
- MS. HESSEL: I think it's 60126.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. Well, keep us informed when
- 22 it changes and --

- 1 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: -- because also the Clerk's
- 3 Office is going to need to know --
- 4 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 5 JUDGE BRODSKY: -- because otherwise they're
- 6 going to keep sending stuff to the old address.
- 7 MS. HESSEL: Okay. And I'll make sure I do
- 8 have, you know, the mail-forwarding, as well.
- 9 JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. Great. And actually,
- 10 what you can do on that score is just send them a
- 11 letter stating the address change and --
- MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: -- to send to -- everything to
- 14 the new address; and that will make it clear to
- 15 them --
- MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 17 JUDGE BRODSKY: -- and it will be in the record
- 18 that way. Okay? Great.
- 19 So with all of that said, this is the
- 20 first time that the case is up. It -- we had a brief
- 21 conversation the other day because Complainant wanted
- 22 to appear by phone due to certain logistical

- 1 difficulties and -- so that was allowed for today.
- 2 And I had noted that if and when this goes to
- 3 evidentiary hearing, that that would have to be done
- 4 here.
- 5 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 6 JUDGE BRODSKY: But other than that, since this
- 7 is the first time the matter's up, let me just
- 8 explain the process.
- 9 Basically, we're here today. We'll
- 10 start generating the schedule, and I'll explain a
- 11 couple things as to what's coming down in future
- 12 dates; and then I will give you time at the end to
- 13 talk with the company and if resolution can be
- 14 reached fine, or if matters can be clarified --
- MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 16 JUDGE BRODSKY: -- that's fine.
- 17 And that is sometimes helpful. And so
- 18 I will let you do that after the hearing is done
- 19 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 20 JUDGE BRODSKY: Basically what happens is -- the
- 21 next step in this process is called discovery.
- That's when you and the company engage in an exchange

- 1 of information.
- 2 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: You'll have a chance to ask the
- 4 company for information or for documents that you
- 5 think are relevant, and they will have the
- 6 opportunity to do the same thing with you. And then
- 7 at the end of that, after questions are are served,
- 8 there will be some time and each side will have to
- 9 answer the other. And then when discovery's
- 10 complete, there will be an evidentiary hearing
- 11 potentially.
- So are there any questions at this
- 13 point?
- MS. HESSEL: No.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. Is there anything from
- 16 your side?
- MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Well, I think Com Ed had
- 18 hoped to meet Ms. Hessel in person. I think
- 19 Ms. Hessel and Com Ed have a rather long history with
- 20 each other of billing disputes and unpaid outstanding
- 21 balances.
- So we're hopeful that maybe that can

- 1 be addressed, I guess, after the hearing today.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay.
- 3 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Other than that, is it
- 4 your expectation that we would set a discovery
- 5 schedule and a hearing date today; or how were you
- 6 intending to proceed?
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Well, not necessarily. I'll
- 8 leave that to the wishes of you and Ms. Hessel. We
- 9 can leave a time open for a couple weeks so that you
- 10 can discuss further; or if necessary, we can -- we
- 11 can set a date that everybody can come together and
- 12 discuss the issues face-to-face, if that's helpful.
- 13 There were some logistical problems that I suggested
- 14 that that wouldn't be possible for today, but at
- 15 least with a couple weeks' notice that might be a
- 16 little more doable.
- 17 So with that, what is the desire of
- 18 the company on that?
- 19 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Com Ed is fine with just a
- 20 future status date and hope, perhaps, the parties can
- 21 resolve the matter.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. And Ms. Hessel, is that

- 1 fine with you?
- 2 MS. HESSEL: I'm sorry. I wasn't -- I didn't
- 3 understand. I didn't hear her. Something about
- 4 future status?
- 5 JUDGE BRODSKY: Right. So there will be a
- 6 status date in the future so that you'll have some
- 7 time to discuss the matters today --
- 8 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 9 JUDGE BRODSKY: -- and then we'll have a
- 10 status -- are you envisioning this before discovery
- 11 starts or after discovery's underway?
- MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: I think before.
- 13 JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay.
- MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Before.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: All right. So then the next
- 16 step will be a status hearing.
- 17 And is that one for here or what?
- 18 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: I think it would be
- 19 helpful to have the parties present --
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay.
- MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: -- if possible.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: All right.

- 1 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: I understand, you know,
- 2 Ms. Hessel had difficulty today. I'm not sure -- I
- 3 mean if she can, in the future, be present.
- 4 JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. Well -- I mean, if we set
- 5 it sufficiently in advance, would it be possible for
- 6 you to come in then, Ms. Hessel?
- 7 MS. HESSEL: Yes, if it's -- yeah, if it's
- 8 sufficiently in advance, I don't see that being a
- 9 problem. I would need to know the date as soon as
- 10 possible.
- 11 JUDGE BRODSKY: Right. Okay. And -- well,
- while we're talking about that, what date are we
- 13 looking at? Couple weeks out?
- 14 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: That's fine with Com Ed.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Is that okay, Ms. Hessel, a few
- weeks?
- 17 MS. HESSEL: What -- is there a specific date?
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Well -- Yeah, we'll pick one
- 19 within there; but I -- I was thinking maybe -- okay.
- 20 How about Tuesday, December 16th as a -- as a
- 21 possible day?
- MS. HESSEL: Hang on just a second. Can you

- 1 hang on while I grab a pen?
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Yeah.
- 3 MS. HESSEL: Okay. Yeah. I don't see that
- 4 being a problem. That gives me sufficient --
- 5 sufficient notice.
- 6 JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay.
- 7 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 8 JUDGE BRODSKY: And is there -- were there
- 9 substantial problems with recovering the notice that
- 10 was sent to you?
- 11 MS. HESSEL: Yes. Actually if -- I had
- mentioned to you on Monday, I didn't even get the
- 13 slip in my mailbox. I didn't get the letter actually
- 14 signed for the certified letter until Friday.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. So what you can do, I
- 16 think -- there's two ways you can -- you can go about
- 17 it. The case is maintained online on the e-Docket
- 18 Web site and --
- 19 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: -- you can -- you can follow
- 21 what's going on there. And the case number is
- 22 03-0666.

- 1 So you would input that case number,
- 2 and that would bring up everything that's --
- 3 available.
- 4 MS. HESSEL: All right --
- 5 JUDGE BRODSKY: -- available.
- 6 MS. HESSEL: -- and what is the Web site number?
- JUDGE BRODSKY: The Web site --
- 8 MS. HESSEL: Or the Web site address?
- 9 JUDGE BRODSKY: -- would be -- you can link to
- 10 it through our -- the general commission Web site,
- 11 which is www.icc.state.il.us, I think.
- 12 A VOICE: Yeah, that's right.
- 13 JUDGE BRODSKY: All right.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: So that's one possible way. The
- 16 second way is, if you found the -- that the service
- 17 was troubling, ask -- what I need you to do is send a
- 18 letter to the -- to the Chief Clerk and ask that --
- if they're sending you something certified, to send
- 20 it to you via regular mail as well.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: And hopefully that alleviates

- 1 the problems.
- 2 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: All right. So we were looking
- 4 at December 16th for a status date. Let's set this
- 5 at 1:00 o'clock.
- 6 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 7 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: 1:00 o'clock, your Honor?
- 8 JUDGE BRODSKY: Yeah. And then -- so with that,
- 9 please make every effort to be present at that
- 10 hearing, Ms. Hessel.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 12 JUDGE BRODSKY: And hopefully that will be
- 13 helpful in resolving the case.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: All right. So with that, is
- 16 there anything else that we have to do today other
- 17 than just to allow some discussion?
- MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Not from Com Ed, your
- 19 Honor.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. Ms. Hessel, anything?
- MS. HESSEL: I don't think so.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. Well, then that's what

- 1 we'll do. I'll leave the phone open, and you guys
- 2 can discuss further.
- And I will leave and see you all on
- 4 December 16th.
- 5 MS. HESSEL: Okay. And this is where on
- 6 December 16th?
- JUDGE BRODSKY: It is in Chicago.
- 8 MS. HESSEL: Okay.
- 9 JUDGE BRODSKY: The building is the Michael A.
- 10 Blandick building. 160 North LaSalle Street. It's
- 11 the corner of LaSalle and Randolph.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay. Okay.
- JUDGE BRODSKY: All right. So I will have the
- 14 Clerk's Office send that notice, then, of that
- 15 hearing.
- And I'll expect to see you, as well as
- 17 Com Ed, at that time.
- 18 MS. FRANCO-FEINBERG: Great.
- 19 JUDGE BRODSKY: Okay. That's it for today.
- 20 Thank you.
- MS. HESSEL: Okay. Thank you.

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1	(Whereupon, the above-entitled
2	matter was continued to
3	December 16, 2003, at
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ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

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Chicago, Illinois November 12, 2003

CASE NO.: 03-0666

SUBJECT: ANNA K. HESSEL, complainant, vs.

COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY, respondant.

Complaint as to being charged for

electricity did not use for a temporary

residence in February 2003, in

Wood Dale, Illinois.

HEARD BY: Mr. Ian D. Brodsky, ALJ

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